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SUBJECT: E AND E PLANNING

REF: A. STATE 073051; B. SAIGON 4109

1. PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING ON URGENT BASIS:

A. BREAKDOWN OF CURRENT TOTAL OF 5,800 AMERICANS NOTED
REF B. SUGGEST REPORT FOLLOW FORMAT OF DECEMBER 31 EMBASSY
BRIEFING PAPER ENTITLED "TOTAL AMERICAN PRESENCE IN VIET-
NAM" -- I.E. (I) USG PERSONNEL, CIVILIAN AND MILITARY;
(II) USG INVITED CONTRACTORS; (III) OTHERS (NON-USG); (IV)
DEPENDENTS: USG, INVITED CONTRACTORS, OTHERS. REQUEST YOU
PROVIDE THIS REPORT ON A CONTINUING BASIS AT LEAST TWICE
WEEKLY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

B. ADVISE HOW MANY DEPENDENTS, BROKEN DOWN BY CATEGORIES
AS ABOVE, HAVE LEFT SINCE VOLUNTARY DEPARTURE PROGRAM INI-
TIATED. ALSO ADVISE HOW MANY MRS 1 AND 2 EMPLOYEES HAVE
DEPARTED THUS FAR.

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2. APPRECIATE PRELIMINARY INFORMATION (PARA 4, REF B) CON-

CERNING VIETNAMESE FOR WHOSE SAFETY WE HAVE A DEFINITE
MORAL RESPONSIBILITY. REQUEST YOU FURNISH URGENTLY MORE

DETAILED PRESENTATION OF THIS PROBLEM INCLUDING THE FOL-
LOWING: PRIORITY LISTING OF CATEGORIES AND TOTALS, FROM
HIGHEST TO LESSER U. S. RESPONSIBILITY; YOUR THOUGHTS ON
HOW TO MANAGE AN EXODUS OF THIS DIMENSION INCLUDING QUES-
TIONS OF IDENTIFICATION, STAGING WITHIN VIET-NAM, CIRCUM-
STANCES AND MINIMUM TIME FRAME REQUIRED TO CARRY OUT
EVACUATION IN REASONABLY EFFECTIVE MANNER. PLEASE CHECK
ESTIMATED TOTAL OF ONE THOUSAND VIETNAMESE WHO ARE CLOSE
RELATIVES OF U. S. CITIZENS. THIS APPEARS QUITE LOW. INGERSOLL

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